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I know the Bears will win next week because _____.

Connie: Cheese usually goes bad after a week.

Matt: Chicago is better than Green Bay. Simple.

Curt: I am not tired enough of them already.



You won a Golden Globe last night. Give us your five-word acceptance speech.

Connie: "You can win for blogging?"

Matt: "I was in a movie?"

Curt: "It's about damn time."



You're on "Glee" (you're famous!). What song would you want to sing?

Connie: "This is the song that never ends" to buy me some time with Puck.

Matt: "I Need More Allowance" by the Beets.

Curt: "(He) Works Hard for the Money"



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TODAY'S FORECAST

The snow's still playing with our heads



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Another dose of snow?

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President Obama paints on a wall Monday as he and his family participate in a community service project in celebration of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. at Stuart Hobson Middle School in Washington, D.C. GETTY IMAGES

25 YEARS LATER

NATION CELEBRATES MLK DAY WITH SERVICE ON ANNIVERSARY OF HOLIDAY

CNN

Events around the U.S. honored the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday as the nation marked the 25th anniversary of the holiday in honor of one of the country's most prominent civil rights leaders.

President Obama and first lady Michelle Obama marked the day by participating in a service project in Washington.

"This is part of what America is all about," the president said. "After a painful week where so many of us were focused on tragedy, it's good for us to remind ourselves of what this country's all about."

Obama's remarks referenced the Jan. 8 shooting in Tucson, Ariz., that left six people dead and 13 injured.

The project was sponsored by Greater DC Cares, a philanthropic group that organized some 2,000 volunteers to participate in public service works, including student mentoring and community painting.

"Dr. King obviously had a dream of justice and equality in our society, but he also had a dream of service," Obama said in a written statement. "And that's what this program is all about and that's what these participants are all about."

A federal holiday to honor King, who was assassinated in April 1968, was first observed in 1986. In 1994, Congress also designated it a national day of service.

A video posted on mlkday.gov, the U.S. government website dedicated to the day, quotes King: "He who is greatest among you shall be a servant. That's the new definition of greatness. ... By giving that definition of greatness, it means that everybody can be great, because everybody can serve."

The site calls on Americans to honor King "by pledging to take at least 25 actions during 2011 to make a difference for others and strengthen our communities."

"Racism and bigotry are no longer tolerated in this country as they once were, and the doors of opportunity stand open to children of every background," Democratic National Committee chairman Tim Kaine said in a statement. "But we remain an imperfect nation. We must continue to strive to better ourselves and our country by upholding timeless values that Dr. King exemplified: truth, courage, compassion and justice."

The Republican National Committee also released a statement, in which Chairman Reince Priebus said King was "a leader who was committed to individual freedom and allowing every citizen the opportunity to achieve their dreams."

"America was founded on the principles of freedom and liberty for all, and the Republican Party will continue working towards ensuring every citizen in this country has an equal chance of living the American dream," Priebus said.

Jobs takes medical leave



Jobs

Apple Chief Executive Steve Jobs is taking medical leave for the third time since 2004, sending the company's shares tumbling more than 8 percent as the surprise revived concerns over the long-term future of the iPhone- and iPad-maker.

The company did not specify why or for how long its visionary leader would be absent. Jobs' latest leave comes nearly two years to the date after he took a six-month break to undergo a liver transplant.

"At my request, the board of directors has granted me a medical leave of absence so I can focus on my health," Jobs, 55, wrote in an e-mail to staff published on a regulatory newswire. "I love Apple so much and hope to be back as soon as I can."

Unlike the previous announcement, Apple did not say when Jobs would return, driving up the worst fears about Jobs' medical condition. An Apple spokesman declined to comment further.

Jobs, a survivor of pancreatic cancer, said Chief Operating Officer Tim Cook would take responsibility for day-to-day operations once again, but he would remain as CEO and be involved in major strategic decisions.

In recent days, Apple's shares reached new highs after announcing its iPhone would be available to customers of Verizon Wireless, the largest U.S. mobile operator. **CNN**

'Suspicious item' reported on plane in Miami, declared safe

An American Airlines plane was inspected, searched and cleared at Miami's airport Monday after a "suspicious item" was identified in its cargo hold, the Transportation Security Administration said in a statement.

American Airlines Flight 930 from Sao Paulo landed in Miami at 8:46 a.m. EST, the TSA said. "In the process of unloading cargo, a suspicious item was identified," the agency said.

"Out of an abundance of caution, local law enforcement and EOD [explosive ordnance disposal, or a bomb squad] arrived on scene to inspect. The item was cleared and declared safe at 10:37 a.m.," according to the statement. The TSA did not disclose details about the item. **CNN**

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RIDER'S BLOCK

My pledge to ride every CTA bus line continues. I rode the No. 108-Halsted/95th this week and boiled my review down to a tweet. Check out photos at redychicago.com/busrider.

@tracyswartz
 21 mins from 95th St. Red Line stop to 127th St/Lowe Ave. Rush hour schedule. Connects to Metra, Carver Military Academy and not much else.

Next up: No. 56-Milwaukee.

How loud is your train ride?

Last week, Metra made some noise when it began testing "quiet cars" on its Rock Island line between Chicago and Joliet. During rush hour, riders in two designated cars are not allowed to talk on their cell phones and must mute their electronic equipment.

Imagine a similar system on the CTA: No more cell phone music blaring, schoolchildren giggling, phones squealing or chips crunching.

While Metra was testing its quiet cars, Going Public was testing CTA's noisiest cars. GP rode the Red, Blue, Green, Pink, Brown and Orange lines during rush hour last week with a digital sound level meter.

GP tested each line's sound level as it traveled in the Loop, making sure not to take readings during announcements.

No surprise, the Red and Blue lines had the highest noise count; 83 and 81 decibels, respectively. Those trains were the most packed and they attract the most riders daily.

To compare, a vacuum cleaner has a decibel level of 70, according to the Purdue University chemistry department, which said decibel counts in the upper 70s are "annoyingly loud to some people."

On the Red Line, several passengers held conversations while some riders listened to music with their headphones (though it didn't seem like that was the case). The Blue Line was more like a school bus with children chattering away.

Though riders made a racket on both lines, a chunk of the noise could be blamed on the CTA. Both trains loudly screeched through the subway, which affected the decibel count.

The ride was quieter on the other lines. Elderly travelers chattered away on the Orange Line (68 decibels); one man held a cell phone conversation on a rattling Green Line train (69 decibels); a man flipped through a newspaper and a woman tore open a granola bar on the Brown Line (67 decibels); and a few couples chatted on the Pink Line (71 decibels).

Some riders have told GP they're more annoyed by the intensity of the agency's electronic train announcements than by other passengers.

"The announcements are so loud that I cannot use an automated phone system to pay a bill," Damen Keller, 39, of Edgewater, wrote to GP. "I had a T-Mobile rep ask me once if I was in an airport. My headphones go pretty loud and still do not drown out the constant yelling of Mr. CTA Announcer."

STATUS: UPDATE

The CTA is holding public meetings next week about proposed improvements to the Red and Purple lines on the North Side. The meetings will be from 6-8:30 p.m. in Evanston, Edgewater, Uptown and Rogers Park. Go to redychicago.com/goingpublic for locations and more information about the project.

CORRECTION Leighton Meester stars in The CW's "Gossip Girl." An item on Page 23 on Monday credited her with working on the wrong TV show.



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Khalil McCarthy, 8, along with volunteers from the City Year corps, lays down a fresh coat of paint Monday at Stagg Elementary School in Englewood in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. **ZBIGNIEW BZDAK/TRIBUNE**

Students volunteer in spirit of King's legacy

Chicago Tribune

Chicago Public Schools students and faculty volunteered Monday to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a day of service.

Students from Bogan High School filled bag after bag with food in the basement of Epiphany Catholic Church in Little Village, helping the regular volunteers prepare for a Monday food pantry.

"It's good to give the kids an opportunity to help out and do something good for the community," said Rozella Garrett, who has volunteered with the food pantry every Monday for 40 years. "They're a great help."

The Epiphany Food Pantry is a member of the Greater Chicago Food Depository and serves between 60 and 70 families per week, coordinator Sandra Zuniga said. Though boxes and sacks of produce fill the hallways, Zuniga said they can give each family only three bags of food once a month and in emergencies.

"Our mission is to try to serve them at least every two weeks, which would help them more, but it's hard," Zuniga said. "We have our limits."

Five students showed up for the activity, which will count to-

ward the 40 hours of community service they must fulfill before they graduate. Their teacher and service learning coach, Mea Robinson-Davis, worked alongside the teenagers packing bags and sorting fruits and vegetables.

"I hope this will give them a sense of being grateful for what they have," she said, "to be aware of what's going on outside of your little bubble and that there are people suffering."

Robinson-Davis said the point of volunteering was to serve as well as to learn. The students also will write an essay to reflect on what they gained from the experience.

When all of the bags were filled and the center was ready to welcome needy families, each student had a good idea of what they would write.

"Sometimes people who don't have shelter or food, we can help them because maybe one day we'll be in their place," said sophomore Lily Guerrero, 16.

"I'm happy that I did this because you think that no one cares about nobody," said sophomore Stephanie Narvaez, 15. "But there are people who are putting themselves aside to help people who don't have food, families or money."



Charles Brizzolara, who attended the 1941 Bears-Packers game as a 12-year-old, at his downtown office Monday. **MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE**

He was at the Bears-Packers game of '41

Chicago Tribune

Charles Brizzolara was just 12 years old the last time the Bears and Green Bay Packers faced off in the playoffs.

Brizzolara went to the Dec. 14, 1941, game at Wrigley Field with his family, who were part owners. He remembers the rivalry between the Midwest titans as being just as strong as it is today—if not stronger.

"It was a remarkable rivalry when I was a boy," said Brizzolara, 81, a lawyer in Chicago. "The atmosphere was extraordinarily intense for both fans and players. The teams didn't like each other."

Packers fans in Green Bay would try to keep the Bears' team bus from arriving at the stadium by kicking it. They'd clang away outside Bears' hotel rooms, trying to deprive players of sleep, Brizzolara recalled.

Although the 1941 playoff game was played a week after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the stands at Wrigley Field were full, Brizzolara recalled. Still, fans were worried about the nation plunging headlong into World War II, he said.

While the rivalry has remained strong, the atmosphere at the games has changed dramatically, Brizzolara said. While fans today sport players' jerseys and cheeseheads, female fans then wore fur coats and men wore fedoras, overcoats and ties, Brizzolara said.

Fans were better behaved then, due in part perhaps to the fact that vendors sold more coffee—carried in large pots through the stands—than beer, Brizzolara said.

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Candidates detail their memories of being bullied

Chicago Tribune

Chicago high school students who worry about being bullied found a sympathetic ear Monday among top mayoral candidates.

Fielding questions that centered on safety at a public forum taped for TV, three of the four Chicago mayoral contenders revealed they were bullied as kids.

Rahm Emanuel and Miguel del Valle said they were beaten up because of their race, and Carol Moseley Braun said it was because of her small size. Gery Chico was the exception—after getting in a fight or two growing up in McKinley Park, he said other kids left him alone.

The personal answers came as 300 or so teens taking part in the Mikva Challenge got a chance to ask the candidates questions about everything from recycling to public transportation. Several focused on safety. Students asked the candidates to address police harassment, school security, bullying of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students and whether they would continue to fund “culture of calm” projects once federal stimulus money runs out in September.

All the candidates said they would continue programs that contribute to the safety of students. At a news conference afterward, the candidates detailed their childhood harassment.

The forum aired Monday night on WTTW-TV and portions will be available on wttw.com.

ALDERMAN DROPS OUT OF ELECTION

Longtime North Side Ald. Eugene Schuler (47th) said Monday he is ending his re-election bid as he pursues an appointment to a Cook County panel that hears property-tax appeals.



Leeanna Majors worked as a prostitute for more than 30 years on the West Side.
HEATHER CHARLES/TRIBUNE

Prostitution solution?

Cook County launches pilot program to get women off the streets

Chicago Tribune

Despite dozens of arrests while working the West Side as a street prostitute, Leeanna Majors says she usually spent no more than a few days at a time in custody.

Time after time, she quickly returned to West Madison Street to continue to sell her body for money.

“I wasn’t given any options, so I stayed with the ones that I had,” said Majors, now 56, who quit the trade only five years ago after more than three decades on the streets.

Now Cook County court officials hope a new pilot program will help some long-

time prostitutes get the help they need to get off the streets—and stay off.

At first, a limited number of women will be offered treatment and counseling as part of an intensive months-long effort, much as courts have done in recent years for drug addicts, the mentally ill and military veterans who have committed crimes.

The once-a-week courtroom opens its doors Friday in the Criminal Courts Building to 25 women who have a long history of arrests and currently are charged with felony prostitution.

“She has to want to change her life,” Associate Judge Rosemary Grant Higgins, who will be heading the specialized court, said of the women.

Those who opt to take part will plead guilty to the felony charge, be sentenced to two years of probation and sign a contract

promising to complete whatever treatment and social services experts believe are needed to end their ties to prostitution.

The women will be jailed for at least 90 days while they are evaluated for drug, alcohol or other problems and given a chance to stabilize from substance abuse or emotional trauma.

Officials said the specialized court shouldn’t add to county expenses because they plan to staff the courtroom with prosecutors, public defenders and probation and sheriff’s officials already assigned to the courthouse, and the many services would be provided by existing nonprofit organizations.

Court officials hope the pilot project might someday replace the revolving-door system that most prostitutes experience, sometimes for years.

Man charged in UIC grad student’s death

Chicago Tribune

A south suburban man was charged Monday in connection with the slaying of a UIC graduate student gunned down in front of his Dolton home.

Nelon Drake, 22, of the 15500 block of South Dobson Avenue in Dolton, appeared in court Monday and was charged with first-degree murder for the Nov. 29 death of Olubusayo Awomolo. Robbery appeared to be the motive for the shooting, said Cook County state’s attorney spokeswoman Sally Daly.

Drake’s bond was set at \$2 million, Daly said.

Police linked Drake to the Awomolo murder as a result of

a robbery investigation in Dolton last week, Daly said. Drake was charged with armed robbery after he allegedly threatened a woman with a gun and stole her purse Wednesday, Daly said.

Family members described Awomolo, a 21-year-old Nigerian immigrant, as a bookworm focused intently on finishing his master’s degree in mechanical engineering. Awomolo likely had just returned home from classes at UIC when neighbors said he was approached in the driveway of his home in the 15500 block of Ingleside Avenue.

Witnesses said they heard gunshots, though no one called police. Awomolo’s older brother found Awomolo’s body in the driveway.

Chicago-bound pot stopped in Aurora

A traffic stop in North Aurora uncovered 60 pounds of high-grade marijuana on its way from the West Coast to the Chicago area, Kane County authorities said Monday.

Woman struck by vehicle

A woman was critically injured this afternoon when she was struck by, then pinned underneath a stolen car in Englewood.

Wintry mix in forecast

A winter weather advisory is in effect until Tuesday morning as a challenging mix of snow, sleet and freezing rain is expected to hit the Chicago area. The brunt of the bad weather was forecast to hit the north and northwest suburbs. **TRIBUNE**

Lower Back Pain?

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Giffords making progress

Woman released after horse slap

1 After spending nearly 12 hours behind bars in St. Petersburg, Fla., accused of slapping a police horse, a woman was out of jail Monday and facing misdemeanor charges in the incident.

Kuwait to launch oil cleanup

2 Kuwait plans to launch a project to clean up what it calls oil lakes, referring to ground contamination resulting from crude spills during the Iraqi invasion of the Gulf Arab state in 1990.

Tunisia works for political stability

3 Tunisia's prime minister appointed opposition figures to a new unity government Monday, trying to establish political stability after violent street protests brought down the president last Friday.

Senators eye China's currency

4 A group of U.S. senators, on the eve of Chinese President Hu Jintao's arrival in the U.S., said the time has come for U.S. congressional action on China's currency policies.

Man killed by vehicle after Jets game

5 A somber note dampened weekend celebrations in New York when a motorist killed a 46-year-old man shortly after the New York Jets' stunning victory Sunday over the New England Patriots, police said.

Banker releases data to WikiLeaks

6 A former Swiss private banker handed over data on hundreds of offshore bank account holders to WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange on Monday, saying he wanted to draw attention to financial abuses.

Wis. gun law on docket

7 Wisconsin, one of two states in the nation that prohibits citizens from carrying a concealed weapon, is expected to reverse this law during the upcoming state legislative session despite shootings in Arizona that highlighted lax U.S. gun laws.

8 **TUCSON, Ariz.** U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords was recovering well from a pair of weekend surgeries to remove a breathing tube from her nose and to repair her right eye socket, doctors said Monday.

Dr. Michael Lemole, chief of neurology at University Medical Center in Tucson, said Giffords' next milestone would be discharge from the hospital, marking her graduation from recovery to rehabilitation.

"It could be a matter of days or weeks," Lemole told reporters at a news conference.

Giffords, 40, was struck in the head by a single bullet during the shooting rampage, which killed six people and injured 13, including the congresswoman. She was upgraded



from critical to serious condition Sunday after she had been removed from a ventilator and the critical risk of brain swelling had

passed.

Giffords, a Democrat representing Tucson and southern Arizona who authorities believe was the gunman's intended target, had been the only victim of the shooting still listed in critical condition.

One patient was discharged Saturday, leaving two others hospitalized in good condition.

College dropout Jared Lee Loughner, 22, was tackled to the ground and arrested following the shooting and has been charged with five federal counts, including murder and the attempted assassination of Giffords.

Doctors said Giffords remains mostly uncommunicative, despite the removal of the tubes in her face.



Death toll rises in Brazil

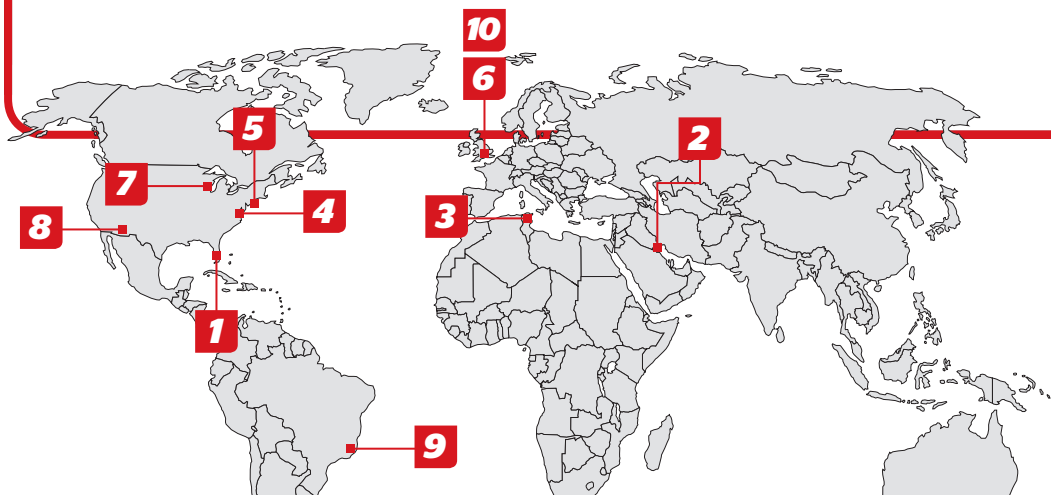
9 Gravediggers carry the coffin of a victim of a landslide Monday at a cemetery in central Nova Friburgo, Rio de Janeiro. The death toll from floods and landslides in Brazil rose to 640, as the military stepped up efforts to reach isolated communities near Rio. **GETTY IMAGES**

Professor examines semen allergy

10 **LONDON** A mysterious syndrome in which men come down with a flulike illness after an orgasm may be caused by an allergy to semen, Dutch scientists said Monday.

Men with the condition, known as post orgasmic illness syndrome (or POIS) and documented in medical journals since 2002, get flulike symptoms such as feverishness, runny nose, extreme fatigue and burning eyes immediately after they ejaculate. Symptoms can last for up to a week.

Marcel Waldinger, a professor of sexual psychopharmacology at Utrecht University in the Netherlands, published two studies in the Journal of Sexual Medicine that suggest that men with POIS have an allergy to their own semen, and that a treatment known as hyposensitisation therapy can help reduce its effects.

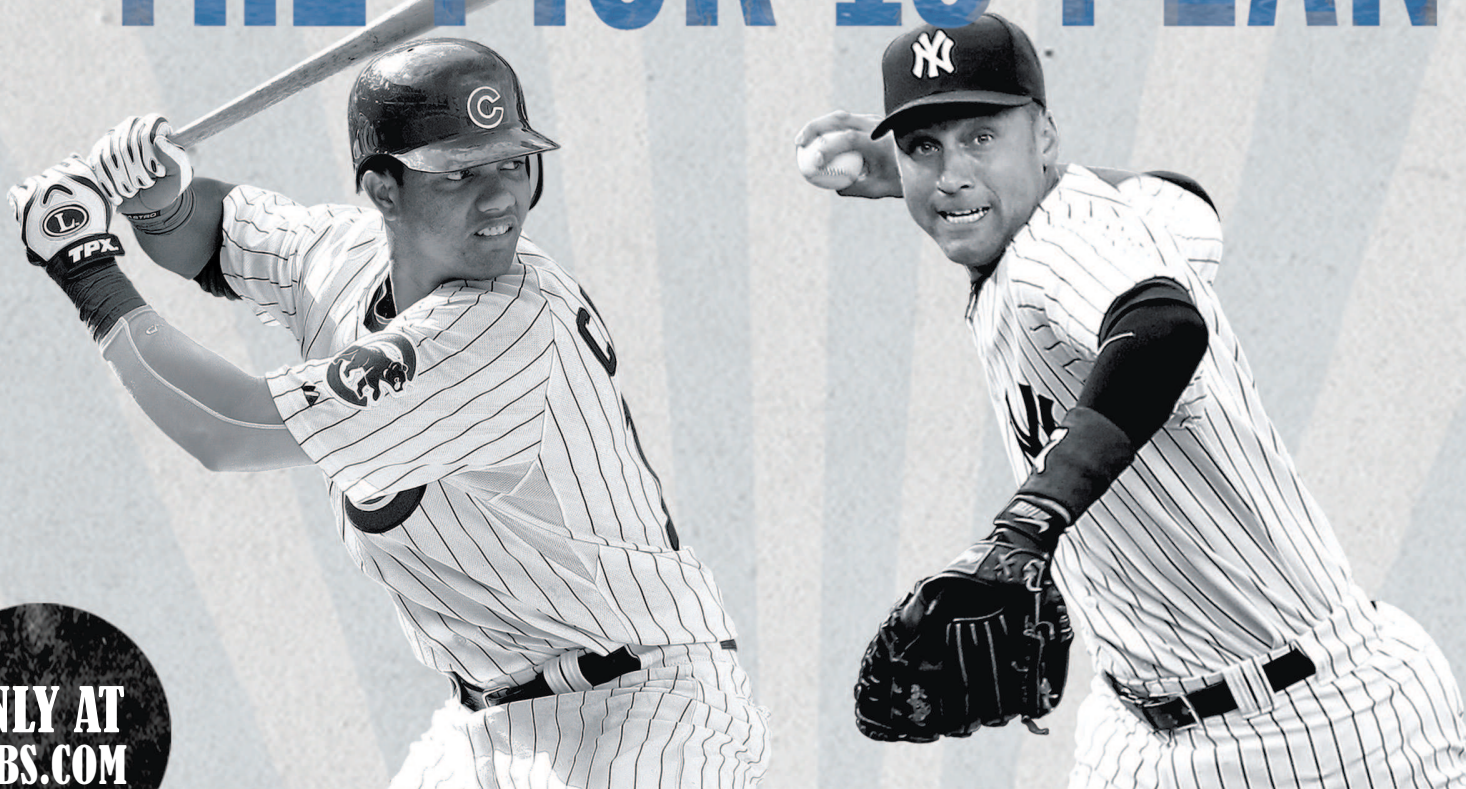


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GRUDGE MATCHES

A look at Rounds 1 and 2 in the heated Bears-Green Bay rivalry this season.



ROUND 1

Sept. 27 @ Soldier Field

"Monday Night Football" came to town, and the Bears and Packers staged a knock-down, drag-out battle for first in the NFC North. It didn't look good for the Bears early, as the Packers jumped out to leads of 10-0 and 17-14 on the strength of Aaron Rodgers' two touchdowns (one passing, one rushing). The Bears tied it with four minutes left in the game thanks to a **Robbie Gould 25-yard field goal**.

Then, with 2:27 left in the fourth quarter, Brian Urlacher forced a James Jones fumble that resulted in the game-winning Gould field goal in the final seconds.

Result: Bears 20, Packers 17



ROUND 2

Jan. 2 @ Lambeau Field

This one was filled with drama. The Bears already had their playoff ticket punched, but the Packers still were fighting for a spot in the postseason. If you like defense, this was the game for you. The Bears drew first blood with a Robbie Gould field goal in the second quarter—yes, the second quarter. The Packers answered with a field goal of their own in the third before sealing the game with a Rodgers touchdown pass to **Donald Lee** with just under three minutes left in the game. The Bears could have kept the Packers out of the playoffs with a win, but they didn't. Will they pay for that Sunday?

Result: Packers 10, Bears 3 SOURCE: NFL.COM

BEAR MARKET

PRICE OF TICKETS TO NFC TITLE GAME AT SOLDIER FIELD GOING THROUGH THE ROOF

Chicago Tribune

Bryan Holst has four tickets to the biggest game in the 90-year rivalry between the Bears and the Green Bay Packers.

On Monday, he put them up for sale.

Holst, a Bears fan from Marengo, said he wrestled with the decision. But the potential of a big payday proved too tempting, so he posted his tickets on Craigslist for \$850 each.

"If you would have told me at the beginning of the year that this was going to happen, I would have said you were crazy if I didn't go," Holst said. "But times being the way they are, if I can pick up a little extra money, I'd sacrifice going to the game."

If he can't find a buyer ready to meet his price, Holst said he might keep his tickets. But he probably won't have much of a problem unloading them.

Several brokers said tickets for Sunday's NFC championship game at Soldier Field are by far the most in-demand in Chicago sports history, creating a frenetic online market as Bears fans try to decide how much it's worth to see the big game live.

On Monday, \$134 seats in the upper reaches of Soldier Field were selling for about \$500 each, according to brokers and several ticket resale websites. Seats in the stadium's lower levels are going for up to \$2,000, said Melissa Janes, who works for a Chicago-area ticket broker.

"This is what the market is, so if you want to go, you're going to have to take out a small loan or use your mortgage payment," said Janes, who said she hasn't seen such high demand for a Chicago sporting event since Michael Jordan was leading the Bulls to six NBA titles in the 1990s.

PRICE OF HISTORY

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The most expensive ticket sold by StubHub as of Monday afternoon was a \$2,942 seat in Soldier Field's United Club, company spokeswoman Joellen Ferrer said. StubHub estimates Sunday's game will be the hottest NFL conference championship ticket in the company's 10-year history, Ferrer said.

While there are enough ticket holders looking to cash to provide a bull market for brokers, most Bears fans wouldn't think of trading a chance to witness the Bears and Packers battle for a spot in the Super Bowl.

Twenty-year season ticket holders Scott and Andrea Tafelski of South Bend are unswayed by the lure of big bucks.

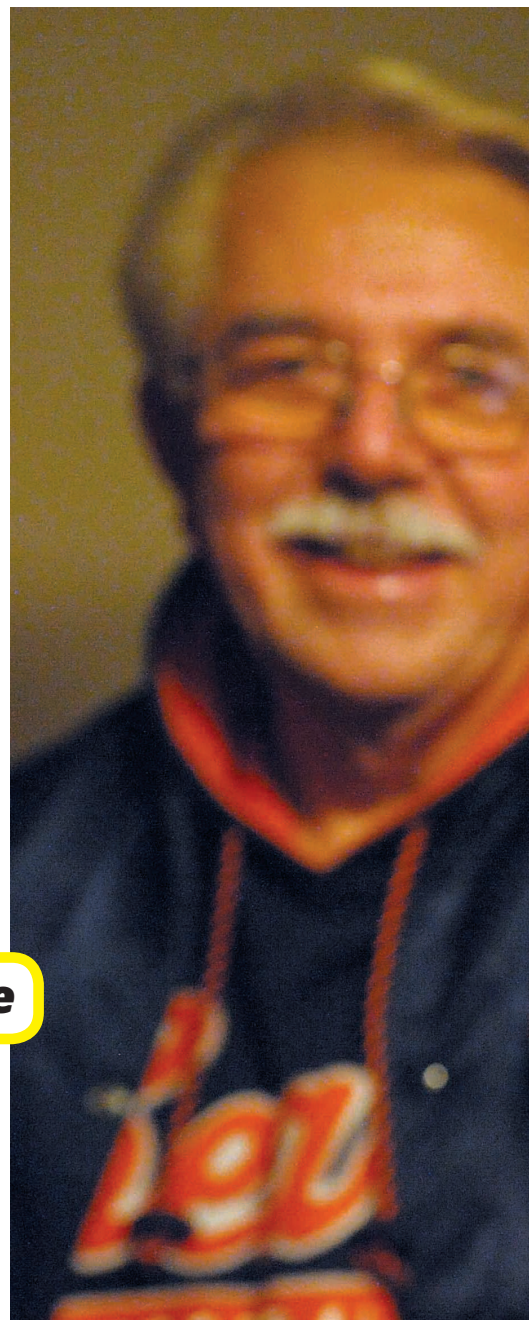
"Definitely not for the Bears versus Green Bay in the NFC championship," said Andrea

Tafelski, 44. "No way, not for this game."

StubHub's website on Monday had about 4,500 tickets posted for Sunday's game, starting at \$475, Ferrer said. Tickets sold for an average of \$767 in the 24 hours following the Bears' win over the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday, she said.

By comparison, tickets for Sunday's AFC championship game between the New York Jets and Pittsburgh Steelers were selling for an average of just \$405 on StubHub, Ferrer said.

The highest asking price on StubHub was \$9,500, but Ferrer said those prices will almost certainly drop as the market settles this week. In fact, Ferrer expects prices on the secondary market to gradually drop as



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Bears don't think they've peaked



Lee DeWyze

He might sing the national anthem Sunday



Frozen tundra

Sunday's weather:
High: 22. Low: 9.
Some snow.

"I think it's a whole different scenario to just experience it. There's nothing like being there, I think."

« Bob Wood, 67, of Rockton, who hasn't missed a Bears home game in 26 years

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the week goes on, with the final average ticket price on StubHub probably somewhere between \$700 and \$800.

Some of the cheapest tickets available online—at least on Monday—were through the NFL Ticket Exchange, where tickets still could be had for less than \$500.

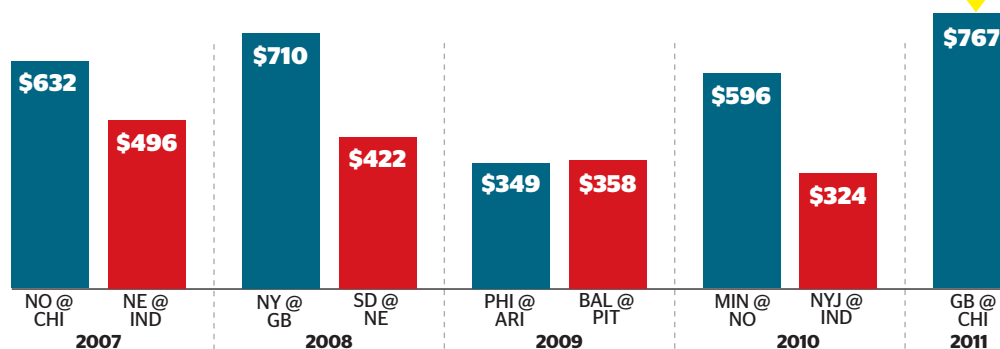
While many online ticket brokers are well-established, secondary ticket buyers should always be wary, officials warned.

"Football fans need to be careful if they buy tickets online," Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan said. "Don't get so caught up in the excitement of the playoffs that you wind up the victim of a con artist cheating you out of a lot of money."

TICKETS, PLEASE

Resale prices for Bears-Packers tickets this Sunday already have exceeded any NFL championship game in recent years, according to online ticket broker StubHub. SOURCE: STUBHUB

AVERAGE TICKET PRICE ON STUBHUB ■ NFC CHAMPIONSHIP ■ AFC CHAMPIONSHIP



Packers at Bears, as of Monday afternoon

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Game on

Phil is so pumped for the Bears-Green Bay game he has promised not to cut the cheese all week. Good luck, buddy.



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1 How big is the Green Bay-Bears matchup in the history of Chicago sports?

It's second to the first time Ditka commanded his lip to "let it grow."

Bigger than Kanye vs. Swift.

It'll rival the time Mordecai Brown lost two fingers.

It's so big the MJ statue outside the UC will be watching. Of course, dressed in a Bears No. 23 jersey.

Right up there with Steve Bartman.

2 How much hype are we going to hear about the NFC title game this week?

Uh, my people don't use "hype" anymore. At least that's what Gov. Paul LePage tells me.

It depends on whether Brett Favre can finally go away for a while.

It'll be as if Michael Jackson died every day this week.

You thought the Pats-Jets hype was big a week ago, this will be Super Bowl magnitude.

So big that cheese will not be served in Chicago, in fear someone will mistake you for a cheesehead.

3 The NFL playoffs without Tom Brady and New England is like ...

... Home Depot without tools.

... a Giselle Bundchen who is not ridiculously hot.

... this panel being funny. Completely unexpected.

... the playoffs without Peyton Manning and the Colts: still exciting. Go Bears.

... Grizzly Adams without a beard.

4 What's the best thing about a noon Bulls game?

Basketball during the middle of a weekday? Must be like high school for Derrick Rose.

It's an incentive to get out of bed before noon.

The Bulls can get treatment at the hospital at a more respectable hour.

You have a good reason to start drinking early during a workweek.

Wake up, roll out of bed and watch it.

5 Why do the Blackhawks have five days off this week?

Why did that make me flash to a sequel to "The Hangover"?

The team needed another Vegas trip. Hey, it worked last time.

What? They weren't supposed to be taking five days off a week all year?

So they can recover from all the MLK parties they attended around town Monday.

Self-reflection time.

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THE ROSE SHOW

Bulls star nets first triple-double, Korver heats up in road win

MEMPHIS, Tenn. Here are the numbers:

Thanks to Monday's 96-84 victory over the Grizzlies, the Bulls are on pace for 56 victories, reaching this season's midway point with the best midseason record since the 1997-98 season.

They did so thanks to Derrick Rose's first career triple-double of 22 points, 12 assists and 10 rebounds (the Bulls' first since Kirk Hinrich in 2007), Luol Deng's 28 points and Kyle Korver's season-high six 3-pointers and 22 points.

They also did so with smothering defense, which ranks first in opponents' field goal percentage, and limited the Grizzlies to 37.7 percent shooting. Deng held Rudy Gay to 1-for-10 shooting and a season-low nine points. Taj Gibson, starting for the in-

BOOZER BETTER

Carlos Boozer remained in Chicago on Monday to receive treatment on his sprained left ankle, which coach Tom Thibodeau said showed improvement.

The Bulls called Boozer day-to-day and said it's too early to guess if Boozer will play Tuesday against the Bobcats.

"[Athletic trainer] Fred [Tedeschi] doesn't know," Thibodeau said. "He said [Boozer] was significantly better Sunday. But you can never really tell with those things."

jured Carlos Boozer, blocked a career-high six shots.

Here's the nuance.

That the Bulls showed such prowess despite playing their first game without Boozer and Joakim Noah—and playing at full strength for only nine games—tantalizes to what might come.

It's all enough to make Tom Thibodeau, who turned 53 on Monday, probably fly home and celebrate with a few more hours of film study.

"We have a long way to go," he said. "There are people in front of us, so we have to chase. The idea is to be playing your best basketball toward the end of the season."

Rose is on that path.

Playing on the same court he roamed in college for one season, Rose also committed just one turnover in 39 minutes, 45 seconds.

Rose—who consistently claimed he never thought he'd achieve a triple-double—secured his 10th rebound with 8.9 seconds left.

"It kind of feels regular," said Rose, who claimed he didn't know about the feat until assistant coach Rick Brunson told him after the game. "I'm just happy we won without two key players. We played with an edge, a lot of intensity. They made their run, and we held them off with defense."

Coach Thibs delivers—and then some

Much like politicians, coaches often have to promise the moon to get hired.

You just hope it doesn't take eons for them to deliver. (You also hope you don't discover the moon is made of cheese, but enough jokes about the Packers.)

Well, the early returns are in for Tom Thibodeau, and the results are borderline astonishing.

When the Bulls hired Thibs, his biggest selling point was his defensive acumen. Boston, his previous team, couldn't praise him enough for his game planning when the Celtics stymied the L.A. Lakers in the 2008 NBA finals.

Although I still think the Bulls are an elite scorer short of seriously challenging for a league title (cough, Carmelo Anthony, cough) Thibodeau seems to have the non-flashy end of things covered.

Under Vinny Del Negro, the Bulls gave up 102.5 points per game in his first season and 99.1 in his second. We know how that story ended.

Yes, Thibodeau occasionally makes puzzling decisions (benching Carlos Boozer for the final 14 minutes of a winnable game? Really?). However, it's tough to nitpick when, entering Monday, the Bulls were:

- » First in the NBA in opponents' field goal percentage (42.8)
- » First in rebounding differential (4.1)
- » Fourth in points allowed (93.5)
- » Fourth in blocks per game (6.1)
- » Fifth in opponents' 3-point percentage (34.3)

Even more impressive, subtracting Joakim Noah—arguably the team's best defender—from the lineup has made the Bulls tougher on D. In the 17 games he's missed with an injury, the team is surrendering a mere 89.1 points per game. It's a shame the Bulls are just 12-5 in that stretch, but wins over Boston and Miami make any shortcomings easier to stomach.

Shooting for the moon is in the Bulls' blood, no doubt. You see it when Derrick Rose asks at the start of training camp, "Why can't I be MVP?"

And if they keep playing defense like this, it will beg the question: "Why can't the Bulls be first in the Eastern Conference?"



» The Cubs traded left-hander Tom Gorzelanny to Washington on Monday for three minor league prospects, pending a physical. The Cubs will receive Michael Burgess, a 22-year-old outfielder with a strong arm, Class A right-hander A.J. Morris and Class A left-hander Graham Hicks.

» Minnesota Vikings quarterback Brett Favre, 41, who played the game with a boyish joy and bulldog determination, filed his retirement papers with the NFL after a 20-season career, the league confirmed Monday. He won a Super Bowl with Green Bay in 1997 and was selected for the Pro Bowl 11 times.



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- **Tron: Legacy 3D** (PG) 2:00,5:00,8:00
- **The Tourist** (PG-13) 1:10,3:30,6:15,9:00
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- **The Dilemma** (PG-13) 1:10,2:20,3:30,4:00,5:00,6:15,6:45,7:45,8:00,9:30,10:30
- **The Green Hornet** (PG-13) 1:00,3:45,6:30,9:10
- **Country Strong** (PG-13) 1:20,4:15,7:15,10:15
- **True Grit** (PG-13) 1:45,4:30,7:00,9:50
- **Little Fockers** (PG-13) 2:10,4:40,7:10,9:40
- **The Fighter** (R) 1:15,4:10,7:20,10:00
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- **Little Fockers** (PG-13) 1:05,3:25,5:45,8:20,10:45
- **True Grit** (PG-13) 2:15,5:00,7:35,10:10
- **AMC Independent Black Swan** (R) 2:45,5:25,8:00,10:35
- **Tron: Legacy** (PG) 9:15 P.M.
- **Yogi Bear 3D** (PG) 2:00,4:40,6:50,9:00
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- **Blue Valentine** (R) ★ 1:00,4:00,7:20,10:10
- **The Dilemma** (PG-13) ★ 1:30,2:00,4:15,4:50,7:00,7:40,10:00,10:30
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- **Country Strong** (PG-13) ★ 12:40,3:30,6:30,9:40
- **Season of the Witch** (PG-13) ★ 2:30,5:15,8:20,11:00
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- **The Fighter** (R) 1:50,4:45,7:45,10:45
- **Black Swan** (R) 1:15,4:20,5:20,7:15,8:10,9:55,10:50
- **The Tourist** (PG-13) 5:00 P.M.
- **Tangled 3D** (PG) 1:00 P.M.

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- **The Illusionist** (PG) 12:35,2:40,4:45,6:50,8:55
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Check out pics of DJ Samantha Ronson spinning at new bar Public House at chicago.metromix.com.

He said, she said

What you did (and didn't) love at 4 new bars and restaurants

Reader reviews

When it comes to new bars and restaurants, everyone has an opinion. From cash-only policies to exactly how friendly a bartender should be, Metromix readers weren't shy when it came to sounding off about these spots.



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Downtown

440 N. State St. 312-464-1400

Its October opening marked the return of a LGBT-centric bar to the River North space that once housed Gentry on State, and fun events such as "No Talent Tuesdays" karaoke following the latest episode of "Glee" already are becoming favorites.

Yeah!

"The space is sexy and sleek [and has a] creative bar menu. However, the best part is the staff. Craig and Josh behind the bar could not have been more friendly. I say three cheers for bringing a classy bar to the downtown gay scene!" —GREGORYHYDER

Meh.

"It's a great space, happy to see it in the neighborhood. However it gets annoying when the bartender is yelling across the room 'Hello' as everyone walks in. What is this, a BBQ joint?!" —HONESTYISBEST



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Grahamwich

615 N. State St. 312-624-9188

Chef Graham Elliot's buzzed-about gourmet sandwich shop in River North has been churning out samies, snacks and soft-serve for more than a month now.

Yeah!

"I really liked the party atmosphere of this place. It was crowded and communal, but also very fresh and innovative. I loved the whitefish sandwich, truffle popcorn and cinnamon soft-serve. This place is going to be a big hit!" —SUSIE7963

Meh.

"They will not take a credit card. Not good. I wanted to buy a short rib sandwich for my wife; one of the ingredients is horseradish [and] my wife is allergic. They pompously refused to not put horseradish on the sandwich. How hard would that be to do?" —MICHAELRUGGERI9659

Moe's Cantina River North

155 W. Kinzie St. 312-245-2000

This downtown sibling to the Wrigleyville cantina is up late serving empanadas, paella and plenty of margaritas.

Yeah!

"The food was very well-proportioned for the price and the music was tasteful. It was not the type of environment where older individuals would feel uncomfortable, yet was still loud and lively enough for everyone's entertainment." —UOFC124

Meh.

"Wait staff is slow and exceedingly uninterested in their job. After 25 minutes of waiting, we flagged a bus boy who managed to track down our server. Drinks were watered down and tasteless. Food was worse." —RIVERNORTH123



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Haymarket Pub & Brewing

737 W. Randolph St. 312-638-0700

Former Rock Bottom brewer Pete Crowley opened this West Loop brewpub with partner John Neurauder in late December and started pouring house brews just last weekend.

Yeah!

"They have an amazing selection of draft beers, all of which are available in 4-ounce tasting portions so you can try a bunch of different beers. I will definitely be back! Can't wait to try the house beers." —KRISN

Meh.

"The sausage platter, fish and chips, and sweet potato tater tots came recommended by the waiter, but were all either totally tasteless or gross. This is by far the worst bar food we have had in a long time." —THEKIDS

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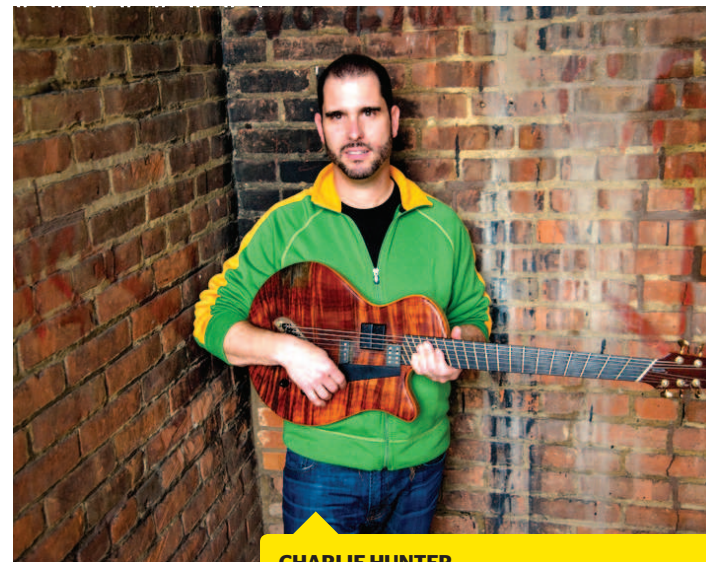
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8 p.m. \$8. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

DEEP BLUE ORGAN TRIO
9 p.m. \$6. Green Mill, 4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

ERIN MCDUGALD JAZZ QUARTET
8 p.m. \$20 food or drink minimum. The Red Canary, 695 N. Milwaukee Ave. 312-846-1475.

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8 p.m. Free. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-489-3160.



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\$2 burgers and fries: Dine-in only; 7301 N. Western Ave. 773-465-2113.

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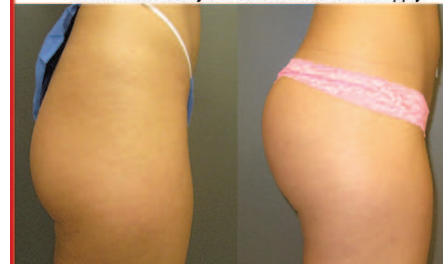
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DANCE DANCE EVOLUTION

Chicagoans shakin' what their mommas gave 'em

By Georgia Garvey

REDEYE

Dance Dance Party Party couldn't be less like "Dancing With The Stars."

At the underground Chicago dance collective, there's no audience, no elaborate costumes—unless you consider yoga pants and sweatbands costumes—and there definitely aren't any judges. In fact, one of the few rules of Dance Dance Party Party, a twice-weekly event held at a dance studio in North Center, is "no judging."

"Don't freak out," leader Kelley Clink warns a group of about 20 women in the dimly lit studio one recent January night as they get ready to dance to a special all-David Bowie mix. "It might feel a little bit weird at first," she tells the newbies. "It's light outside. ... You're probably sober."

Weird? Hardly.

Consider it just one part of Chicago's multifaceted dance, dance revolution. As dancing continues to explode in pop culture—fueled by No. 1 shows such as "Dancing With The Stars" and the lesser rated Paula Abdul show "Live To Dance," which premiered this month and has a live finale Feb. 9—dance is as hip as ever in Chicago. From Big City Swing on the Near West Side to The Galaxie dance studio in Avondale to impromptu Charleston lessons at Black Rock in North Center, there's no shortage of spots catering to dancers.

Credit the pop cultural visibility for dance's increasingly accessible nature.

"I think people see what others can do and they get excited by it," said Nicolle Wood, director of The Galaxie, which teaches old-school dances including the Shim Sham, Cha Cha and the Charleston. "They figure if [“Dancing With The Stars” contestant] Evander Holyfield can go out and dance, they can give it a shot, too."



Professional dance instructors say almost anyone can learn. Even those who are insecure about their rhythmic ability might be surprised by what they can accomplish with practice.

"It's certainly helpful if you come into it

with an ear for music," said Luke Holladay, 27, of Jefferson Park, a student at Big City Swing. But, he adds, some "who don't seem like they have a lot of" natural ability can do just fine. "I think a lot of people can do it if they put their minds to it."

The toughest part of learning to dance, according to Julee Mertz, director of Big City Swing, is figuring out how to do more than one thing at a time.

"It's the multi-processing, which is true of any new sport or hobby," Mertz said. "It's



Jenn Brandel (center) dances during a Dance Dance Party Party event Jan. 9 at Perceptual Motion Dance Studio.

ANDREW A. NELLES PHOTO FOR REDEYE

thinking about your own posture as well as giving and receiving signals."

Mertz said competitive dance shows can encourage someone to give it a shot.

"People are excited to see a skill, one that they can relate to or wish they had ... one that



Lauren Makoviecki gets down during a Dance Dance Party Party event.

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also brings out vulnerability," she said.

Mertz attributes the continuing success of reality dancing shows to their competitive spirit, something "more than watching people make out in a hot tub."

The shows can turn dancers—and D-list celebs—into bona fide stars. Witness Bristol Palin, whose turn on "Dancing With The Stars" made her famous as more than just Sarah Palin's daughter.

The celebrities' lack of dancing talent doesn't necessarily turn off viewers, and it may prompt some amateurs to gain confidence, some teachers said.

"It leads people to believing that they, themselves, can do it," Wood said. "It's not just for the quote unquote professionals."

Not everyone takes the studio route, though. Some—including the Dance Dance Party Party aficionados—love the exercise or use dance to relax. For them, formal instruction is beside

the point. They're dancing to get wacky and don't need help figuring out how to do it.

"We like to joke and call it 'dance therapy,'" said Amy Letcher, 28, of Lincoln Square. "If you've had a bad day, by the end [of the session] it's just danced out."

Clink says dance has a celebratory, primal appeal. "There's something about just being able to let go. ... It's almost like your brain gets out of the driver's seat."

That's the goal for Unity Ostercamp, who goes to Dance Dance Party Party each week and wants all the fun of a club atmosphere without the drunken dance-floor hookups.

"I love to dance but going to the clubs just doesn't seem [fun]," said Ostercamp, 38, of West Ridge. "People always want to dance with you."

Ultimately, for the gals at Dance Dance Party Party, the appeal is simple.

Ostercamp says, "I just enjoy shaking my thing." GGARVEY@TRIBUNE.COM

Where, when, how

You want to bust a move, but studio dance classes aren't your thing? We hear you. RedEye found some off-the-beaten-path and out-of-the-norm spots to dance in Chicago.

DANCE DANCE PARTY PARTY

Whether you're looking to get in shape or make like Kevin Bacon in "Footloose," Dance Dance Party Party might be for you. The only rules are: No boys, no booze and no judgment. From indie rock to hip-hop, you'll hear it all. \$5. 7-8 p.m. Wed. and 4-5 p.m. Sun., 4057 N. Damen Ave.

NACIONAL 27

Craving Latin rhythms? Nacional 27 features salsa lessons in which two instructors take you through the paces. Afterward, test out what you've learned on the dance floor. Thursdays starting at 7 p.m. 325 W. Huron St.

BLACK ROCK

Every week, a dance instructor shows would-be hoofers the ropes in the Charleston, Lindy Hop or similar dance form. It's all up to you after that, though, with a live band backing you up. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. 3614 N. Damen Ave.

CHARLIE'S

Just because it's freezing in Chicago doesn't mean there's no warm Southern hospitality. You, too, can can two-step it with the help of expert instruction at Charlie's, a Lakeview gay bar with a relaxed, family feel. 7 p.m. Mondays. 3726 N. Broadway.

ALHAMBRA

From salsa to swing, Alhambra offers all kinds of dance lessons, followed by the chance to get down showing off your newly acquired skills. Show up Tuesdays for salsa night. Music kicks off at 7:30 p.m. and lessons start at 8:45 p.m. 1240 W. Randolph St.

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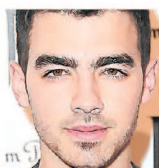


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Which mild man should tie on the Man of Steel's cape?

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

Anybody looking forward to seeing Jon Hamm in spandex is about to be seriously disappointed. The "Man Men" star, 39, told MTV he thinks the role of Superman in the upcoming reboot is "a young man's game. I think I've been aged out of that one by now." While we at RedEye don't think Hamm's too old to kick butt, we've rounded up some "young men" who might want a try at the tights.



Joe Jonas

Strength: Definitely the hottest Jonas bro—and hey,

maybe he can act too!
Kryptonite: There's too much potential for the other three Jonas brothers to dress as caped crusaders and try to sabotage him. Wait, maybe this would be awesome.



Darren Criss

Strength: Dark hair, dorky glasses,

potentially smokin' bod—the "Glee" star has got the look that super-dudes envy and super-chicks dream about.
Kryptonite: He won't be able to stop singing and dancing long enough to fight crime.



Jesse Eisenberg

Strength: With "Social Network" co-star Andrew

Garfield taking the role of Spider-Man, Jesse's ready to make his super-mark on the comic book genre.
Kryptonite: Experience behind a computer does not necessarily a superhero make.



Channing Tatum

Strength: Well, the name does say *man*,

doesn't it? Rawr. Channing is 30, giving him years of experience on these other potential super-dudes.
Kryptonite: Journalists are never this hulkingly buff in real life. Believe us.



Dev Patel

Strength: We already know from "Slumdog Millionaire"

that Dev will do anything for the lady he loves, an important trait when saving damsels in distress.
Kryptonite: He's rockin' the nerdy Clark Kent side of things well, but there doesn't seem to be a buff layer hiding anywhere—yet.

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MONDAY'S SOLUTIONS

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ACROSS

- 1 Fellows
- 4 Biblical tower
- 9 Tears
- 13 Smell
- 15 Nimble
- 16 Beige shade
- 17 Merlot
or Chardonnay
- 18 Lists of pupils
- 19 Terrible fate
- 20 Unease
- 22 Ceases
- 23 Actress Sheedy
- 24 Retina's place
- 26 Sudden
disappointment
- 29 Apartment building
in the slums
- 34 Group of eight
- 35 Talks wildly
- 36 Gen. Robert E. ...
- 37 Competed
- 38 Gathered leaves
- 39 Tube
- 40 Inventor
... Whitney
- 41 Rescues
- 42 Evil one
- 43 Summary
- 45 Artists' stands
- 46 "... I Humbug!"
- 47 Church service
- 48 Alder or ash
- 51 Required
- 56 Lion's cry
- 57 Rejoice
- 58 Beneficial
- 60 Too
- 61 Binge
- 62 Lira replacer
- 63 Part of a hammer
- 64 Not tipsy
- 65 Golfer's peg

DOWN

- 1 Cut the lawn
- 2 Correct a manuscript
- 3 Zero

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| 4 Hardly | 27 In a very
unfriendly way | 42 Back talk |
| 5 Terrible pain | 28 Beer mug | 44 Actress Merle |
| 6 Liver secretion | 29 Accepts | 45 Spring celebration |
| 7 Building wings | 30 Actress Arden
and others | 47 Free-for-all |
| 8 Diminished | 31 Cream of the crop | 48 Ensnare |
| 9 Cash in, as coupons | 32 Neighbor of India | 49 Acting part |
| 10 Piece of Greek
Orthodox art | 33 Adolescents | 50 At ... relaxed |
| 11 Nudge | 35 Sitarist ... Shankar | 52 Montreal event
of the 1960s |
| 12 Totals | 38 Indiscretion;
too much haste | 53 Sidewalk's edge |
| 14 Gave a new title to | 39 Corridor | 54 Disastrous defeat |
| 21 Thin board | 41 Jacuzzi | 55 Days of ...
long ago |
| 25 Affirmative | | 59 Female deer |
| 26 Pigeons | | |

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red hot

Ricky Gervais
LOS ANGELES TIMES



Ricky Gervais enjoyed his second turn as host of the Golden Globe Awards on Sunday—and ratings held steady with last year's show at 17 million—though he probably is in the minority after shredding nearly every big name in the room. “For three hours every year, Hollywood is scared to death of me,” Gervais said after the ceremony, according to **deadline.com**. “It’s great.” Tell that to Hollywood Foreign Press Association president Philip Berk, who refused comment when asked if Gervais would be invited back to host next year.

GLOBES POSTMORTEM

‘I’m in love’

It’s not just Bears fans. Kristin Cavallari (right) is in love with quarterback Jay Cutler too, she told People magazine Saturday while celebrating her 24th birthday in Las Vegas. “Things are really good. ... I’m in love and it’s been great,” Cavallari told the mag. After Sunday’s playoff win against Seattle, the couple was spotted at Mastro’s Steakhouse, the Tribune reports. How romantic!



Baby surprise

You’d think they would have mentioned it on the red carpet Sunday at the Golden Globes, but Nicole Kidman and Keith Urban waited until Monday to announce they had a baby daughter. The girl, Faith Margaret Kidman Urban, was born Dec. 28 in Nashville, Tenn. with a surrogate mother, according to Reuters. The couple also have a 2-year-old together, Sunday Rose.

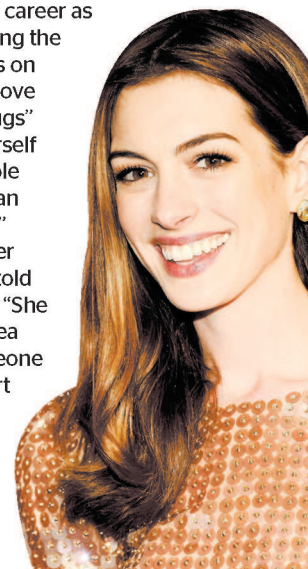
HOT DATE

MARCH 22

That’s when The Strokes will release their new album, the band’s record label confirmed to **pitchfork.com**. No word yet on an album title.

‘Glee’s’ new guest star

Maybe Anne Hathaway should start a second career as an agent. During the Golden Globes on Sunday, the “Love and Other Drugs” star talked herself into a guest role as Kurt’s lesbian aunt on “Glee,” series producer Brad Falchuk told **tvguide.com**. “She had a great idea and with someone like her, it’s sort of hard to say no,” Falchuk said. Good call.



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